

DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

4/20/26

Patient History: Spleen removed last year. O has concerns about P panting and shaking a lot. O states they do not know if P is in pain or panting a lot. O states this has been going on since August. Elevated liver values.

PATIENT

Honey Whalen

Current Medications: 2025: Denamarin.

Labwork Results: Labwork not attached, reported as: ALT: 218 (3/2026); 393 (8/2025); 286 (6/2025); 260 (3/2025). ALP: 1010 (3/2026); 369 (8/2025); 541 (6/2025); 429 (3/2025)

SPECIES

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: 9/29/25. See attached.

Canine

Sedation: Torbugesic.

Stat Report: Not requested.

BREED

Imaging Performed by: Stephanie Warga RDCS, RVT.

Beagle

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

SEX

Urinary System

Female, spayed

The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder is moderately distended. Luminal contents are anechoic. No cystic calculi are observed. The region of the trigone and the visible portion of the proximal urethra are normal.

AGE

3/6/2012

The left kidney is normal in size (5.50 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

WEIGHT

15.4 kg.

The right kidney is normal in size (5.47 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal to mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

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Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is enlarged (1.01 cm at cranial pole) (0.97 cm at caudal pole) with swollen peripheral contours. The parenchyma is mildly heterogeneous in appearance with an ill-defined hyperechoic area observed mid to caudal gland. There is loss of glandular detail. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

HOSPITAL NAME

Banfield Pet Hospital
Columbia

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.51 cm at cranial pole) (0.50 cm at caudal pole) with a normal shape and homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Landon

Spleen

Previously splenectomized. The region of the splenic fossa is unremarkable.

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Liver

The liver is subjectively prominent to enlarged with slightly swollen peripheral contours. The parenchyma is mildly heterogeneous in appearance. A 1.9 x 1.9 cm ill-defined hypoechoic nodule is observed on the left side. In addition, a 1.7 x 1.7 cm hyperechoic nodule is seen on the left side. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion.

The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A small to moderate amount of mostly gravity-dependent echogenic debris is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

Gastrointestinal

The gastric lumen is not distended. The gastric wall is normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small intestinal wall thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

Pancreas

The right limb of the pancreas is visible with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is slightly hyperechoic relative to surrounding omental fat and slightly mottled in appearance. The pancreatic duct is visible but not overtly dilated. There is no evidence of peripancreatic inflammation or effusion.

Lymph nodes

The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

Free Abdomen

The peritoneal cavity is normal. There is no evidence of inflammation or effusion.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings:

- The hepatic changes are nonspecific and could be secondary to inflammatory disease (i.e., cholangiohepatitis, chronic hepatitis), Leptospirosis, hepatotoxicosis, infiltrative neoplasia (i.e., lymphoma), vacuolar hepatopathy, regenerative nodular hyperplasia, other hepatopathy, or some combination thereof. The hypoechoic nodule on the left side could be consistent with a benign lesion (i.e., regenerative nodule, inflammatory focus) with a lower possibility of emerging neoplasia. The hyperechoic hepatic nodule trends toward the benign (i.e., regenerative nodule) with a lower possibility of more insidious hepatic pathology.

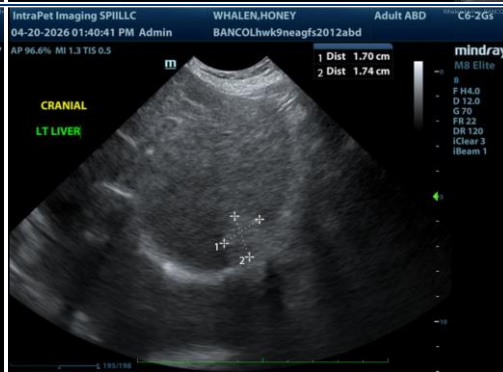
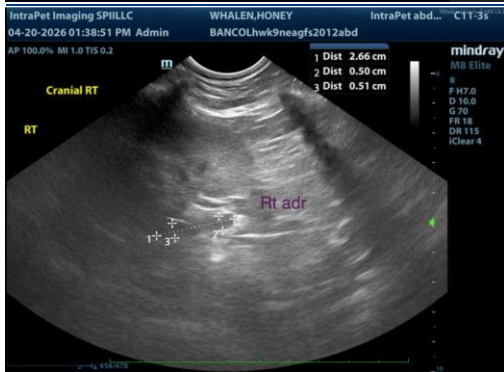
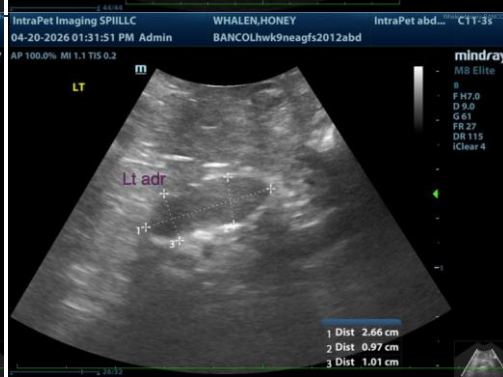
Secondary Findings:

- The pancreatic changes are most consistent with age-related parenchymal remodeling, potentially secondary to a prior inflammatory episode, early fibrosis or chronic pancreatitis.
- Mild bilateral nonspecific, age-related renal changes. Changes are similar to the previous sonogram.
- Left adrenomegaly. Changes are similar to the previous sonogram.
- Gallbladder debris, non-mucocele. Changes are similar to the previous sonogram.

*An obvious cause for the patient's clinical signs is not definitively identified in this study.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Orthopedic and neurologic examinations are recommended to assess for possible causes of pain.
2. Three-view thoracic radiographs are also recommended to assess cardiopulmonary status.
3. Consider a baseline blood pressure measurement to assess for systemic hypertension.
4. Depending on the results of the above diagnostics, further workup (i.e., further testing for a functional left adrenal tumor) may be indicated.



The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance please contact me.

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